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SUBJECT: CASE OF ARGENTINE NATIONAL, NELIDA SOSA DE FORTI

1. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER INFORMATION  
EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE ON SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS.

2. IDENTIFYING DATA FOLLOWS:

DPOB: MAY 19, 1935 IN LAS BANADAS, SALTA, ARGENTINA.

ADDRESS BEFORE DISAPPEARANCE: ARROZO 3E, CUADRA DE  
YERBABUENA, TUCUMAN.

FATHER: MANUEL ERASMO SOSA (DECEASED)

MOTHER: CLARA ROSA CHAVEZ (PASAJE CAMPO DE LAS CARRERAS  
1439, TUCUMAN. TELEPHONE: 39056).

HUSBAND: ALFREDO FORTI (ISLA DE GUACA, DELTA AMACURO,  
VENEZUELA, TELEPHONE: 08721446.)

3. FURTHER INFORMATION. DR. ALFREDO FORTI WENT TO  
VENEZUELA TO WORK IN JANUARY 1977. HIS WIFE AND SIX  
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CHILDREN WERE TO FOLLOW ON FEBRUARY 18. ON THAT DATE, HOWEVER, THE FAMILY WAS TAKEN OFF THEIR FLIGHT, ALL BLINDFOLDED (INCLUDING THE CHILDREN, AGES 8 TO 16) AND HELD FOR SEVEN DAYS. THE CHILDREN WERE LATER RELEASED AND TRAVELED TO JOIN THEIR FATHER. THE MOTHER HAS NOT BEEN HEARD OF SINCE.

4. U.S. INTEREST: AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL. VANCE

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